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SUBJ: ADVISORY OPINION: RETENTION OF U.S. PASSPORTS

REF: JIDDA'S OM OF JUNE 6, 1977;

1. EMBASS Y REQUESTS A TIMELY RESPONSE TO REFERENCED OM.
PROBLEMS ARISE QUITE FREQUENTLY WHEN PRIVATE FIRMS RETAIN
THEIR EMPLOYEES PASSPORTS AS A MEANS OF LEVERAGE IN LABOR
DISPUTES.
2. IN ONE RECENT CASE, AN EMPLOYEE OF ITT SPACE COMMUNICATIONS
INC., WAS HELD PAST HIS CONTRACT DATE WHEN A LOCAL BRANCH OF
THE MITSUBISHI COMPANY HELD HIS PASSPORT IN AN EFFORT TO
CONVINCE ITT SPACE COMMUNICATIONS TO EXTEND HIS CONTRACT
HERE. EMBASSY EFFORTS TO ASSIST THE AMERICAN CITIZEN WERE
HAMPERED BY THE LACK OF CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT AS
TO HOW TO RECONCILE U.S. POLICY WITH THE SAUDI REQUIREMENT THAT
EMPLOYERS HOLD THE PASSPORTS OF THEIR EMPLOYEES AT ALL TIMES.
3. PLEASE SEND ADVISORY OPINION TO AMCONSUL DHAHRAN AND USLO
RIYADH, AS BOTH POSTS ARE EXPERIENCING THE SAME PROBLEMS.
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